COMMUNITY CARE LICENSING DIVISION

"Promoting Healthy, Safe and Supportive Community Care"



Self-Assessment Guide
RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY
FOR THE ELDERLY
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSESSMENT



TECHNICAL SUPPORT PROGRAM

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The administrative assessment tool is designed to assist licensees and facility staff to perform periodic self assessments of a facility's operation. The assessment is comprised of some of the most common deficiencies noted by Licensing Program Analysts during their evaluation visits. It is not an exhaustive list or a full summary of regulations relating to the operation of facilities. IT CANNOT BE USED AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR HAVING A GOOD WORKING KNOWLEDGE OF THE REGULATIONS.

These items summarize regulation and other conditions which commonly lead to citation. For that reason, licensees should refer to the referenced regulation(s) for complete information on requirements. Items contained in this tool which have an asterisk (*) are not required by licensing regulation. They are, however, recommended practices that can assist licensees to avoid situations which may lead to violations.

The assessment should be used periodically to review the facility's performance in a variety of areas to identify and correct deficiencies and to identify areas of weakness in the facility's operation and staff training needs. It can also be used as a training tool to familiarize staff with basic Licensing requirements. Facilities may wish to add items to the form which have historically been problem areas for their operations or to implement program standards that exceed Licensing requirements.

MEDICATIONS

MET	NOT MET		
		1.	All centrally stored medications (including over the counter medicines and medications stored in the refrigerator) are locked. 87575(h)(2)
		2.	Medications are maintained in compliance with label instructions. (Room temperature, refrigerated, etc.) 87575(h)(4)
		3.	There are no expired medications (including over the counter medicines). 87575(i)
		4.	There are no medications for former residents in the facility. 87575(i)
		5.	There are no permanently discontinued medications in the facility. 87575(i)
		6.	Each prescription medication has been logged in a centrally stored medication record. 87575(h)(6)
		7.	Destroyed prescription medications are logged in a centrally stored medication record. 87575(i)
		8.	Residents are assisted with medications according to label/physician instructions. 87575(a)(1)(6)

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MEDICATIONS (continued)

MET	NOT MET		
		9.	Each resident's file contains documentation from the resident's physician that the resident <u>can</u> determine and communicate his/her need for <u>prescription</u> and <u>nonprescription</u> PRN medication and the physican has provided written instructions for its use. 87575(b) OR For <u>nonprescription</u> PRN medication <u>only</u> , each resident's file contains documentation from the resident's physician that the resident <u>cannot</u> determine his/her need but <u>can clearly</u> communicate his/her symptoms and the physician has provided written instructions for its use. 87575(c) OR For <u>prescription</u> and <u>nonprescription</u> PRN medication, when the resident is <u>unable</u> to determine his/her own need for the medication and is <u>unable</u> to clearly communicate his/her symptoms, facility staff contact the resident's physician before each dose is given and receive instructions. 87575(d)
		10.	Syringes and needles are immediately discarded into appropriate containers; i.e. a container for sharps. 87691(f)
		11.	Medication labels are not altered. 87575(h)(4)
		12. *	Medications are not set up more than 24 hours in advance.
		13. *	Documentation is on file indicating the doctor has been contacted when residents refuse medications.
		14. *	There are enough medications left in each bottle to order a refill before the current supply runs out.
		15. *	Documentation is on file that the resident's physician is aware of all over the counter medications the resident is taking.
			PHYSICAL PLANT
			GENERAL
MET	NOT MET		
		1.	Walls and ceilings are clean and in good repair. 87691(a)
		2.	Paint/wallpaper is in good condition. 87691(a)
		3.	Windows and curtains/blinds are in good condition and operate properly. 87691(a)
		4.	Floors and floor coverings are clean and in good repair. 87691(a)
		5.	Doors are in good condition and operate properly. 87691(a)
			PHYSICAL PLANT

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GENERAL (continued)

MET	NOT MET	-	
		6.	Equipment and supplies are not stored in the yard or areas used by residents. 87690(c)
		7.	Smoke detectors operate properly and fire extinguishers are properly charged. 87691(a)
		8.	Furniture and fixtures are in good repair. 87691(a)
		9.	Weapons and potentially hazardous items are locked up. 87692(a)
		10.	Handrails are securely fastened. 87577(d)(4)
		11.	Buildings and grounds are free from hazards. 87691(a)
		12.	Passageways, stairways and doors are not blocked or obstructed. 87577(d)(6)
		13.	Rooms are free of odors. 87691(a)
		14.	Room temperature is a minimum of 68 degrees and a maximum of 85 degrees. (In extreme heat, maximum temperature is 30 degrees less than outside.) 87691(b)
		15.	Signal system, if required, operates properly. 87691(i)
		16.	Bodies of water are inaccessible to residents with physical or mental disabilities. 87577(e)
		17.	Facility is free of flies and other insects. 87691(a)
			RESIDENT ROOMS
MET	NOT MET	<u>-</u>	
		1.	Sheets, pillow cases, mattress pads, blankets, bedspreads, bath/hand towels, and wash cloths are clean and in good repair. 87577(a)(3)(C)
		2.	Mattresses, boxsprings and pillow(s) are in good condition. 87577(a)(3)(A)
		3.	There is one chair, night stand, adequate lighting and a chest of drawers for each resident. 87577(a)(3)(B)
		4.	Closet and drawer space for clothing/personal belongings. A minimum of eight cubic feet of drawer space shall be provided. 87577(a)(3)(E)
		5. *	Clothes in dressers and closets are clean.

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BATHROOMS

MET	NOT MET		
		1.	Hot water is 105 - 120 degrees fahrenheit. 87691(e)(2)
		2.	There are securely fastened grab bars for all tubs, showers and toilets. 87691(e)(4).
		3.	There are non-skid strips or mats in tubs and showers. 87691(e)(5)
		4.	Sinks, tubs, toilets and showers are clean and operable and toilet seats are securely fastened. 87691(a), (e)(6)
		5.	Common wash cloths and towels are not used. 87577(a)(3)(C)
			<u>SUPPLIES</u>
MET	NOT MET	<u> </u>	
		1.	Equipment and supplies for personal hygiene are available for residents in sufficient amounts. 87577(a)(3)
		2.	There is a sufficient supply of linens available to permit changing weekly or more often as needed to ensure use of clean linens at all times by residents. 87577(a)(3)(C)
			FOOD SERVICE
MET	NOT MET	<u> </u>	
		1.	Food storage and preparation areas (pantrys, cupboards, freezers, stoves, microwaves, refrigerators, counters) are clean. 87576(b)(27), (29)
		2.	There are no pesticides or toxics (ant spray, rodent poison) stored in any food storage or preparation room or with utensils. 87576(b)(24)
		3.	Cleaning supplies are kept in areas separate from food supplies. 87576(b)(25)
		4.	Contaminated or spoiled food is discarded. 87576(b)(28)
		5.	Food supplies are kept covered and inaccessible to pests and contamination. 87576(b)(9), (23), (28)
		6.	Frozen foods are properly wrapped. 87576(b)(9), (28)
		7.	Trash can has tight fitting cover. 87691(f)(1), (3), (4)
		8.	Freezer is 0 degrees fahrenheit. 87576(b)(21)
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		9.	Refrigerator is 40 degrees fahrenheit. 87576(b)(21)
		10.	Menu prepared one week in advance in RCFEs with a capacity of 16 or more. Copies of menus as served are dated and kept on file for at least 30 days. 87576(b)(6)
		11.	Two day supply of perishables and seven day supply of non- perishables are available in the facility. 87576(b)(26)
		12.	Snacks and beverages are available in the facility. 87576(b)(3)
		13.	Dishes, glasses and utensils are clean and in good condition (no cracks or chips). 87576(b)(29)
		14.	Modified diets are provided as needed. 87576(b)(7)
		15.	Powdered milk is not used as a beverage. 87576(b)(11)
		16. *	Food supplies are dated and rotated to use old items first.
		17. *	Food to prepare items on the menu is available.
			PERSONAL PROPERTY
MET	NOT MET		
		1.	Residents' cash records are current. 87227(g)(1)
		2.	Bond is sufficient for amount of cash handled. 87226(a)(1)
		3.	Personal property list is updated with additions and deletions. 87227(g), H&S Code 1569.153
		4.	Theft and loss policy is posted and reviewed semiannually. H&S Code 1569.153
		5.	Residents' cash records balance with cash being safeguarded. 87227(g)(1)
		6. *	Loans to residents are documented.
			CLIENT OBSERVATION
МЕТ	NOT MET		
		1.	Staff are familiar with the information in the resident's preadmission appraisals. 87565(a), (c)(3)
		2.	Care staff observe each resident to ensure that physical, mental, emotional and social needs are met. 87591

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MET	NOT MET	Γ	
		3.	Deterioration in resident's condition is reported to the resident's physician and responsible person, if any. 87591
			RECORDS
			(RESIDENTS)
MET	NOT ME	<u>[</u>	
		1.	Residents' records are not accessible to unauthorized persons. 87570(c)(1)
		2.	Resident's file contains required records. 87570(a), (b)
		3.	Information in resident's file is updated as needed. 87570(a)
		4.	Preadmission appraisals are updated as necessary to note significant changes. 87587(a)
		5.	Documentation for allowable health conditions is maintained in file and is current. 87702.1(a)
		6. *	Copies of any exceptions for residents are on file.
			RECORDS
			(STAFF)
MET	NOT ME	<u>[</u>	
		1.	Staff files contain required records. 87566(a)
		2.	Items that expire (first aid, driver's license) are updated. 87575(f)(5), 87574
		3.	Fingerprints are submitted within 20 days of employment. 87219(c)(2)
		4. *	Continuing education and training are documented.
	П	5 *	Exceptions/exemptions are maintained in file

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ADMINISTRATION

MET	NOT MET	<u> </u>	
		1.	License is posted in a prominent place accessible to public view. 87115
		2.	The facility has a disaster and mass casualty plan of action. 87223(a)
		3.	Emergency exiting plan and phone numbers are posted. 87223(c)
		4.	Resident roster is available. 87571
		5. *	Waivers are maintained on file.
		6.	Substantiated complaints and all deficiencies are posted in public view for six months. H&S Code 1569.38(a)
			INCIDENT REPORTING
MET	NOT MET	<u>[</u>	
		1.	Written incident reports are sent to Licensing within seven (7) days 87561(a)(1)
		2.	Incidents are reported to the resident's responsible person. 87561(a)(1)
		3.	All administrative and care staff are trained in the requirements of incident reporting. 87561(a)
		4. *	Administrator has reviewed incident reports and taken any corrective action necessary.
			<u>ACTIVITIES</u>
<u>MET</u>	NOT MET	<u>[</u>	
		1.	Current activity calendar is posted in facilities with a capacity of 7 or more. 87579(d)
		2.	Supplies are available for activities. 87579(i)
		3.	Activities available include: socialization, activities which maintain daily living skills, leisure time activities, physical activities and educational activities. 87579(a)
		4.	Attendance at religious activities is available to interested residents. 87579(c)(1), 87572(a)(5)
		5.	Resident council meetings are made available upon request of residents. 87592

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ACTIVITIES (continued)

MET	NOT MET	<u> </u>	
		6. *	Activities are provided as scheduled on activity calendar.
			MISCELLANEOUS
MET	NOT MET	Γ	
		1.	Vehicles used to transport residents are maintained in safe operating condition. 87574
		2.	Non-cleared persons (friends, family, volunteers, neighbors) are not used as back up staff. 87219
		3.	The facility is equipped with first aid supplies (sterile first aid dressings, bandages, thermometer, scissors, tweezers) and a current first aid manual. 87575(a)(10)
		4.	Basic laundry service (washing, drying and ironing of personal clothing) is provided. 87577(a)(3)(F)

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